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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A transparent touch panel comprising;

a transparent first substrate and a second substrate each including a transparent electro-conductive layer on one surface thereof, the transparent first substrate and the second substrate being arranged with a predetermined interval between each other in such a manner that the transparent electro-conductive layers are facing each other, each transparent electro-conductive layer including a respective pair of electrodes disposed on each end thereof;

a plurality of lead-out terminals being connected to the electrodes through surrounding circuits extending to the peripheral edges of the first substrate and the second substrate, the lead-out terminals each being arranged on the opposing surfaces of the first substrate and the second substrate; and

a plurality of holding members that pinch a peripheral edge of only the transparent first substrate so as to sandwich a periphery of the transparent first substrate so as to sandwich a periphery of the transparent first substrate, the holding members being formed of an electro-conductive material and arranged so that each holding member includes a portion inserted between the transparent first substrate and the second substrate and in contact with at least one respective lead-out terminal of either the first or second substrate.

2. (original): The transparent touch panel according to claim 1, wherein the thickness of the portions of the holding members inserted between the transparent first substrate and the

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second substrate is 0.5 to 2 times the space between the transparent first substrate and the second substrate.

- 3. (previously presented): The transparent touch panel according to claim 1, comprising notched portions formed in a portion of the second substrate which is in contact with the holding members.
- 4. (original): The transparent touch panel according to claim 1, wherein the transparent first substrate has a plurality of groove portions in the surface opposite to the surface on which the transparent electro-conductive layer is formed, and the holding members are held in groove portions.
- 5. (original): The transparent touch panel according to claim 1, wherein the transparent first substrate is a fixed substrate.
- 6. (previously presented): An electronic apparatus comprising the transparent touch panel of claim 1 and a display apparatus including electrically-conductive connecting terminals, the transparent touch panel being disposed on a display surface side of the display apparatus, and the holding members being in direct contact with the connecting terminals, whereby the apparatus and the lead-out terminals are electrically coupled.
 - 7. (canceled)

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- 8. (previously presented): The transparent touch panel according to claim 1, wherein the holding members are U-shaped and an interior of the U overlaps the at least one peripheral edge of the transparent first substrate.
- 9. (previously presented): The electronic apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the holding members are U-shaped, an interior of the U overlaps the at least one peripheral edge of the transparent first substrate, and the connecting terminals are in direct contact with a leg of the U-shape.
- 10. (previously presented): The transparent touch panel according to claim 1, wherein the peripheral edge of the transparent first substrate is sandwiched between an upper-side surface and a lower-side surface of each holding member.
- 11. (previously presented): The transparent touch panel according to claim 3, wherein a warp of the notched portions generates pressing force between the movable substrate and the holding members.